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[ Halloween approacheth! A favorite time for Pirate Broadcasts,  
 [ this season also affords better propagation as well! Start looking  
 [ for broadcasts this weekend and throughout the week, as there should  
 [ be a multitude of them. Several (V. of the Purple Pumpkin?) choose  
 [ this time as the ONLY time they broadcast throughout the year, so  
 [ keep those receivers warmed up. Freqs to listen for are in the  
 [ 7385-7420 range. More on this at the end of the digest.

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[ Logs from lotsa places!

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From: DECWRL::"driver8@stb.info.com" "Hugh Whats-his-name"  
 To: anarky::pirate  
 Subj: Re: \*\* Pirate SWL Mailing List \*\* 3 Oct 1990 \*\*

Finally some action here. I've been listening to RNI on WWCR, of course,  
 and enjoying its spontaneity. Sounds like the more free form FM programs that  
 used to be on local commercial stations on Sunday nights.

Saturday (10/7 UTC around 0500 there were some USB guys having a QSO in  
 Spanish on 7415 and 7416, and then an EE/OM saying, "Anyone around?" a few  
 times. No broadcasts, however. Too bad, because conditions are really  
 improving.

Hugh Stegman NV6H  
 driver8@stb.info.com

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[Hugh, WHDA (the op from the VoOz?) seems to be doing a lot of QSOing  
 [on 7415... I suspect that is who you have been hearing

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From: DECWRL::"76535.474@CompuServe.COM" "Ben Fuller, Jr"  
 To: 7415 <ANARKY::Pirate>  
 Subj: Logs and things

Here are some logs for last weekend:

UNID 7415 khz @ 0025-0037 Oct. 7. Heard a long Pink Floyd riff  
 followed by "Movin in Stereo" by the Cars. Abrupt s/off just as the  
 latter song ended, almost as if there was a sudden equipment problem.

CFBN 7415 khz @ 0244-0259 Oct. 7. Lots of static made copy difficult.

Heard folk music, chanty-type songs, and possib. Judy Collins. Was able to copy ID and Wellsville address. This is the third time I've logged them all with the same poor quality. It must have something to do with their and this QTH's antenna alignments.

Got an interesting bunch of stuff from W.O.R.K. A QSL/time card; a label for "Holiday Beer" (This seems legit from the Peoples Brewing

Co. in Oshkosh WI); a WORK amenities order form; a note; and an offer for studio tapes if I send a blank to the Wellsville drop.

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From: DECWRL::"jburnell@kean.ucs.mun.ca" "MAIL-11 Daemon"  
To: anarky::pirate  
Subj: Loggings from Newfoundland

Last Saturday evening seemed quite good for Europirate reception -- I heard three as well as One Voice Radio in the 19 m band. Reception was with an Icom IC-R71A receiver and a random wire antenna in my attic.

15050.1 ONE VOICE RADIO 2130-2137 UTC Mainly medically oriented talk. First time I note this one on 19 meters. Weak w/deep fades. 6 Oct.

6275.3 LIVE WIRE RADIO (England) 2226 UTC Noted in passing w/ID and rock tune. SINPO 24332. 6 Oct.

6232.4 tent. RADIO CALIFORNIA (DSWCI bulletin suggests this is in Belgium) 2230-2243, break in transmission then 2244-2246 fade out. Very weak w/rock mx, announcer in EG at 2240 and 2242 UTC w/ID + address, but due to low level I can't be 100% sure of ID! I have read that mailing address is P.O. Box 220342, D-56000, Wuppertal, FRG, and I think I heard bits of this at 2242 UTC. SINPO 13331. 6 Oct.

6228.9 JOLLY ROGER RADIO (Ireland) 0002-0009 pops, signal very weak + fading a lot, but was fortunate to get the ID + address at 0008 UTC. SINPO 14321. 7 Oct.

One QSL received recently:

JOLLY ROGER RADIO 6306.0 6 f/d cards for one rpt, v/s Joe Vincent, in 1 mo. The \$1 I had sent as rp was returned.

Question: Is anyone on the mailing list in Europe or in touch with the European pirate scene?

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[ Jean, there are several members of the list that are in Europe.  
[ I trust they will contact you directly. If European members are having  
[ probs getting in contact with Jean, I'd be glad to relay.  
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From: DECWRL::"lopez!flash@sharkey.cc.umich.edu" "Flash Hoser"  
To: anarky::pirate  
Subj: WHAT A NIGHT!

Saturday night/Sunday Morning (10-13 10-14) brought us a bounty! The Great White North Pirate Team had one of the best nights in our history.

Dave (tomato@lopez) caught:

01:50z WHDA (We Hate Dead Air) with crazy skits including a guy who claims he owns all the newspapers and federal land, and can communicate with God. Also had a guy with a NAZI accent.

02:00z KGUN AMERICA

Also pirate QSO's were HOT AND HEAVY ALL EVENING. Heard chatting in between broadcasts were

KRUD  
Mr. Unidentified  
The Voice of OZ  
Hussein  
Comandante John

KBLU came on at 7411.9 with upper sideband and terrible audio, but some entertaining programming. Music by the Beatles and other bands, and an address in Fort Worth Texas. Klaus Klandestine, who signs the paychecks gave an editorial saying "TURN IRAQ INTO A PARKING LOT" and encouraged listeners to write to the Ft. Worth Address, and he would forward the letters to congress.

Immediately following KBLU, the venerable TUBE RADIO came on with their "Catch us if you can" Interval Signal.

Tube did some skits we have heard before, including NUMB SKULL headache remedy. Also a commercial for BIG JOHN toilets, complete with the Jimmy Dean song in the background. Ray Cathode and Lady Diode (lady Dianne?) read letters and did skits. Gave the Baltimore Maildrop several times.

TUBE mentioned the pirate: RADIO ANIMAL, who has been heard not only on 7415, but also called up RNI a couple weeks ago. Radio Animal lives in PITTSBURGH, and I am fairly sure the FCC knows this now, so I hope his transmitter is not in the Steel City.

Following Tube Radio's sign off, there was a brief QSO between pirates, where two said that during their broadcasts they got "weird phone calls".

One of them said his call sign was KUNT. I have never heard any programming from that station though.

"Good night, Sleep Tight"  
"Don't let the FCC Bite"

And then someone came on with TELETYPE JAMMING.

I recorded the teletype and played the tape back through my PC SWL interface, and got the following:

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THIS IS THE MINUTEMANEWS SERVICE DE NOGMA  
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That is a ham call. The RTTY signal was on for only about 15 seconds. I bet the guy did not realize that if tapes were rolling (as mine was) the signal could be later decoded.

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[note:
[ NOGMA is listed as a call from a Tech class licensee in Nebraska! /john]
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Five straight hours of pirates, with hardly a break. AND NO MORE STATIC as the outside temperature here in the Great White North was in the 30's.

It's gonna be a GREAT WINTER for PIRATE FANS!!!!!!!!!!

RNI COOLS IT  
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Well the glitz and glamour seems to be gone from RNI, though I still am a faithful Sunday Listener, it seems like many folks are no longer tuning in to their WWCR relay on Sunday Nights. Programming is pretty mundane and the energy level they had initially has diminished. They are getting more into politics, and playing protest songs, and now sound more like an early 1970's college campus station. The high point continues to be anything done by Johnny Lightning. The rest of the crew are just not as fun to listen to.

It was interesting that RNI said on the air that they have made a decision "not to talk" about "a certain subject" because of a greater good. The subject is OBVIOUSLY Pirate Broadcasting. All their thumbing

their nose at the FCC might have been a good pressure release, but considering that AL WEINER is up before the FCC now trying to get a legitimate license, and is being judged on his "character" rather than any other ability, it is not good business for RNI to make the FCC out to look like incompetent thugs (well take a gander at the RNI VIDEOTAPE)... Personally, I don't think it will do the boys much good. Uncle Charlie already hates Al Weiner. Just look at all the stuff he has done in the past. The MIDNIGHT STAR radio network. His "interpretation" of the studio relay station license he got for his station in Maine, and used to set up a broadcast station in Yonkers NY. and RNI itself on the Sarah. Nope. I will be surprised as all get out if Al can pull off a REAL license for RNI.

And if he did, would ANYONE listen to it? As we have found with the RNI broadcasts over WWCR, when a pirate goes legit, more than half of the fun is GONE. When they have REAL COMMERCIALS and a HUGE SIGNAL, where is the thrill?

Last night on our PIRATE WATCH CB NET, one of the Great White North Pirate Hunters suggested that the FCC should deregulate 7415, and just let people alone there. Well, what if there was LEGAL pirate broadcasting (a contradiction in terms, I KNOW)... Again, would it still be fun? I think such an arrangement, which has been proposed by many, would lead to total chaos (like the CB BAND)... Whatever spectrum space was set aside would be crowded with stations, and no longer any fun to listen to.

For those who DO DARE The Friendly Candy Company on Saturday Nights, we SWL's have the mystery and intrigue of pirate hunting. It's a great sport... And for the listener, there is no danger of that \$1,000 fine.

DID ANYONE CATCH THE NPR SPECIAL ABOUT ZOOM BLACK MAGIC? Now THERE is a pirate!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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=Marquette MI: It's Not the END of the world, but you can see it from here=  
== Gary Bourgois flash@lopez (rutgers!sharkey!lopez!flash) GWN UPLink ==  
== 3.950 Nationwide Amateur Radio Nightly after 0200z=Learning Channel ==  
===== WB8EOH = The Eccentric Old Hippie = WB8EOH =====

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[ I heard the "mini-editorial" on RNI about the freedom of speech  
[ and "Certain topics will not be discussed... this is no longer  
[ "free radio" statements that were made, and could not determine  
[ what the refereces were to. Anyone else know what is going on w/RNI?  
[ /john  
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From: DECWRL::"jburnell@kean.ucs.mun.ca" "MAIL-11 Daemon"

To: anarky::pirate  
Subj: Newfoundland Report

Only one pirate noted last week-end, conditions did not seem very good. Reception with an Icom IC-R71A receiver and a random wire in the attic:

W.F.R.L. (=Wonderful Free Radio London) ENGLAND 6232.7 kHz 2012-2105\* mainly old rock tunes, asked for calls to a British number. Weak and tricky to copy. Believe the most recent address for this station is: 24 Stouting Road, Orpington, Kent, England BR6 9SJ.

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From: DECWRL::"LUDFK@VAX1.CC.LEHIGH.EDU" "Dave Keppel"  
To: anarky::pirate  
Subj: weekend activities

Hello John and all!

Not much going on here in the world of pirating. For the past few weeks things haven't been like they used to be. There seems to be a trend for the moment of "not very serious" pirate activity. Things such as null carriers (a lot of those), ops whistling, and almost boring Qso's. I am looking forward to "real" programs. Last week on 7415 on Sat. I intercepted what appeared to be a "soap-opera" narrative. Un-id'd and unusual. Last week on 7415.0 USB 10/14 at 0:54...a lot of "testing, testing" stuff. A test transmission of "Radio Free North America". In this transmission (and the second which I have encountered from them) they said they would begin transmitting in Winter on sat. nites starting at 01:00 on 7415.0. Also there was qso confirmation from two or more pirates. Howard E. Lion of "WHDA" "We hate dead air" and his alternate id "Voice of Oz" and "KGUN" "Aboard the Exxon Valdez" both reported to RFNA that their signal was good. RFNA also went on to say that they will be running 100 watts, using plate modulation.

In addition I heard what one pirate op. described as the "crooked man". This op. just rambles on and on about soc-political and religious issues. Doesn't answer any Qso's, doesn't Qsl, etc. Everybody has their own style I suppose.

In addition, Commodante John of "The Revolutionary Voice of Planesville" with his revolutionary overtones, and a new individual named Sodomy Hussien ! made an appearance around 3:30 UTC. The Crisis in the Middle East probably piratized this guy!

Well as Howard E. Lion put it "We hate dead air-waves" and he and others are doing something about it. Can't wait for RFNA 01:00 Sat nites!

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[ I hread the QSOs that night and several folks have mentioned the  
[ monologue attributed to "the crooked man". I never did hear the  
[ guy ID, so I'm not sure whether the attribution was accurate, but  
[ the guy is definately bizarre! Listening to this guy ramble made  
[ me want to go check to make sure the doors and windows were locked.  
[ There ARE some disturbed folks out there, and this guy was not  
[ joking!

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[ A couple of people have asked about The ACE... The Association of  
[ Clandestine Enthusiasts. I have no connection with them other than  
[ by being a satisfied subscriber, but I highly recommend it to anyone  
[ serious about DXing Pirates. There is a LOT of information given  
[ in its monthly newsletter, and it is in my opinion, certainly worth  
[ the 18\$ a year membership. Lotsa news, photos, interviews, loggings,  
[ addresses etc. A sample is 2 bucks from  
[ ACE, POB 11201, Shawnee Mission KS 66207.

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[ Kirk Baxter, the publisher, also maintains that ANARC BBS, which  
[ contains a Pirate section , as well as general SWL information  
[ and echoes.

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[ Several stations seem to be testing in the 15.050 Mhz region.  
[ I have heard Hope R., and it seems One Voice Radio and others are  
[ trying this region out. It might be a good idea to check this freq  
[ in the 2000-2400 time frame.  
[ Thats all the news for now... Keep sending in your postings, and LISTEN  
[ THIS WEEK for Pirate activity.... it is possibly the most active time  
[ of the year for stations. 73 /john wb5oau

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